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Applicant : Adilstam, Frekrik et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on October 26, 2010, Applicant traverses the restriction for the reasons set forth below, but provisionally elects the inventions identified in Group 1, Claims 1-6, drawn to a method for providing a porous surface layer on a porous ceramic substrate.

Applicants respectfully submit that the listing of the claims in the Restriction Requirement is in error, and that Group 1 should include Claims 1-11. Applicants note that the Examiner identified Group 1 as Claims 1-6, and being drawn to a method for providing a porous surface layer on a <u>porous</u> ceramic substrate. However, the Examiner identified Group 2 as containing dependent Claims 7-11, which depend from Claim 1, and like Claim 1, are also drawn to a method for providing a porous surface layer on a <u>porous</u> ceramic substrate. By contrast, Claim 12 is drawn to a method for providing a porous surface layer on a <u>nonporous</u> ceramic substrate. Thus, Applicant believes that Group 1 should include Claims 1-11.

Accordingly, Applicants request reconsideration and modification of the restriction requirement to recite that Group 1 includes Claims 1-11.

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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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